

that would provide and force these institutions, good, bad, big or little, but apparently terrible, because they don't pay enough attention to the local community, they should be satisfied with this legislation, if an amendment like that is adopted. It's like a moral issue. You know, either you're living in sin, or you're not, I guess, if you don't do certain things my way or your way. The whole thing is...I guess sort of loses me. I don't know...You know we've all...we've been...how long have some of us been in politics? You don't have to be behind the glass to do business, you can do business on the 20th floor of the bank building, you can do business in your own office, you can do business in the corner bar, on the way back and forth to Lincoln. So let's not talk about people behind the glass. That gets a little old and boring after a while, because, to be completely frank, it reflects on the integrity of all of us. And don't pick on this one piece of legislation to make it look like this is the only time and the first time anybody has ever talked to any of us about a piece of legislation. I took this bill, which is Senator Schmit's priority bill, because it made sense to me that we should provide, in Nebraska, every opportunity, not only for the smallest or the medium-sized, but the biggest institutions as well to be able to get involved with the purchase, with or without the savings and loan problem, the purchase of institutions by Nebraskans in Nebraska. All kinds of interesting dialogue and suspicion and threat and concern developed after that. I know we all have our own point of view. But, in my opinion, I don't want to make it any more complicated than it is. That's all I took it as, and that's one reason I took...There were a lot of bills I could have taken as a priority, but I took this one because I thought that was important. To be completely frank, I offered the amendment, which was LB 529, because I thought that made some sense as well. I'm certainly not going to attempt to change the...

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR LYNCH: .. opinion of the body, or in fact infer that we should override the decision of the Chair on the germaneness of that amendment. But I think that's also very good, it clears up a lot of things. Because so much has to and should be done in this body, LB 529 is probably going to fall through the cracks, but it will be back again next year. But let's not complicate or confuse this one. We can argue about how much is enough, whether 2 percent is enough over two years, or 3 percent is too